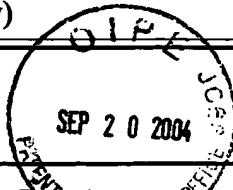


PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
(Small Entity)

Docket No.
53433/2:2

In Re Application Of: Younan Xia et al.



Application No. 10/732,910	Filing Date December 9, 2003	Examiner	Customer No. 32642	Group Art Unit 3653	Confirmation No. 6911
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Invention: **METHODS OF NANOSTRUCTURE FORMATION AND SHAPE SELECTION**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of March 18, 2004 in the above-identified application.
Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: May 18, 2004 until: September 18, 2004
Date *Date*

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

The fee for the extension of time is \$740 and is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 502375
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 502375
- Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

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